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In re Application of

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For: MOULDED RADIATION SHIELD

DECISION

The above-captioned application is before the PCT Legal Staff for consideration of issues arising under 35 USC 371.

On 19 May 1997, the United States Designated/Elected Office mailed a Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) indicating that an oath or declaration and the surcharge for submitting the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date must be submitted. The notification set a one-month time limit in which to respond.

On 23 October 1997, applicant filed a transmittal letter, a declaration and small entity statement signed by the inventors, a petition and fee for a four-month extension of time, and the surcharge for submitting the declaration later than 30 months from the priority date.

On 24 October 1997, the United States Designated/Elected Office mailed a Notification of Abandonment under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 (Form PCT/DO/EO/909).

The transmittal letter filed on 23 October 1997 had a certificate of mailing under 37 CFR 1.8 dated October 20, 1997. Since the 19th was a Sunday, the filing of the papers on the 20 October 1997 is accepted as being timely. Accordingly, the Notification of Abandonment mailed 24 October 1997 is hereby VACATED.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the International Division for processing.

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